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**PART III**  
**GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB**  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS' WELFARE  
(AGRICULTURE V BRANCH)

**NOTIFICATION**

The 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2023

**No. G.S.R. 87/P.A.13/1961/S.19/Amd.(1)/2023.-** In exercise of the powers conferred by section 19 of the Punjab Horticulture Nurseries Act, 1961 (Punjab Act 13 of 1961), and all other power enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Punjab Fruit Nurseries Rules, 1961, namely:-

**RULES**

1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Fruit Nurseries (First Amendment) Rules, 2023.  
(2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. In the Punjab Fruit Nurseries Rules, 1961 (herein after referred to as the said rules), in rule 1, for the word "Fruit", the word "Horticulture" shall be substituted.
3. In the said rules, in rule 2,-
  - (i) in clause (a), for the word "Fruit", the word "Horticulture" shall be substituted;
  - (ii) after clause (a), the following clauses shall be inserted, namely:-
    - (a-i) "Appellate Authority" means the Director, Horticulture, Punjab;
    - (a-ii) "Competent Authority" means the Joint Director, Horticulture, Punjab;
    - (a-iii) "Designated Authority" means "Quarantine Officer, and".
  - (iii) in clause (d), the word "and" appearing at the end, shall be omitted and thereafter, the following clause shall be inserted; namely:-

"(d-i) "Inspection Officer" means the Assistant Director, Horticulture or the Deputy Director, Horticulture of their jurisdiction, and",
4. In the said rules, in rule 3, -
  - (i) in sub-rule (1), for the words and figures "nine hundred rupees under Head-0401-Crop Husbandry-119-Crop Husbandry", the words and figures "three thousand rupees for one group or kind of fruit plant or crop (vegetative seedling) and for any additional group or kind, one thousand rupees for each group or kind (e.g. in citrus Mandarin, Sweet Orange, Lime and Lemons and Grapefruits are different groups) as per Annexure I under Head-0401-Crop Husbandry-119 Receipts from Horticulture and Vegetable crops 0401-00-119-00 and fee is liable to be reviewed by the competent authority after every five years" shall be substituted;
  - (ii) after sub-rule (1), the following sub-rules shall be inserted, namely:-

"(1-A) The competent authority or officer may issue such instructions as may be necessary to the licensee for creation of basic infrastructure facilities like required number of mother plants of required variety, root stock, green house, net house, provision for solarisation of media for the proper propagation of horticulture plants

and for ensuring their quality as specified in Annexure-I. The applicant shall submit self declaration to fulfil and abide by the provisions of the Act as per Annexure-III. The applicant shall be the owner of land or takes land on lease for a minimum period of ten (10) years. A minimum of three acres of land for citrus nursery and two acres of land is must for other types of fruit nursery.

- (1-B) In case of death of the licensee, if there is any nomination or succession certificate issued by the court of law and no objection certificate from other legal heirs of the licensee (subject to fulfilment of the basic requirements for grant of license) then, the licence may be transferred in the name of his successor or nominee within a period of six months from the date of death of the licensee, otherwise, the licence shall be deemed to be expired.
- (1-C) The soil shall be tested free of soil borne pathogens (in case nursery plants are raised in soil) and planting media from root zone of plants (in case of containerized nursery) from a recognized laboratory which means diagnostic laboratory of the Department of Plant Pathology, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana or any other laboratory recognized by the competent authority. The soil and water testing report from the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana or the Horticulture department or any other recognized laboratory by the competent authority shall also be presented to ascertain the suitability of soil and water for nursery production.
- (1-D) Either the owner or his regular employee should get five day training in nursery production or management for production of disease-free horticulture plants from the Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana or Centre of Excellence in Punjab State. The existing horticulture nurseries shall be given one year time to fulfil this condition.
- (1-E) No State or Central agency can inspect or issue accreditation certificate to any nursery without valid nursery license issued by the competent authority.
- (1-F) All the nurseries growing horticulture plants should be registered once in a lifetime and the license of the nursery shall be renewed after every three years. However, the licence shall be issued only for those plants which are mentioned in Annexure I :

Provided that if the nurseries owned by the State Government or the Central Government or cooperative bodies of the State or Central Government, the same shall be exempted from the registration or renewal of license by the competent authority.

- (1-G) In case of vegetable nursery production, the licence is mandatory, but the source and quality of produce shall be governed under the Seed Act, 1966 (Central Act 54 of 1966)."
- (iii) for sub- rule (2), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:-

"(2) The fee specified in sub-rule (I) shall be non refundable, even if, the license is refused by recording specific reasons. However, the applicant can file appeal within thirty days from the date of refusal to the appellate authority." ; and
- (iv) in sub-rule (3), at the end, for the word, figure and letter " Form I-A", the words, figures and letters "Form 1-A and Form 1-B" shall be substituted.

- (v) All the registered horticulture nurseries shall be given a period of two years to fulfil the conditions or requirements laid under the Act from the date of commencement of these rules.
- 5 In the said rules, in rule 5,
- (i) for sub-rule (1), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely :-
- “(1) Any person desiring to get his licence renewed, shall make an application to the competent authority in Form-IV within a period of not less than sixty days before the date of expiry of the licence. In case the licensee fails to submit the application within the stipulated period for the renewal of licence, then he shall be liable to pay additional fee of rupees one thousand per month or fraction thereof, in addition to the renewal fee.
- (2) A renewal fee of three thousand rupees for one group or kind of fruit plant or crop (vegetative seedling) and for any additional group or kind, one thousand rupees for each group or kind (e.g. in citrus Mandarin, Sweet Orange, Lime and Lemons and Grapefruits are different groups) as per Annexure I under Head 0401 Crop Husbandry-119 Receipts from Horticulture and Vegetable crops 0401-00-119-00” shall be deposited. The fee is liable to be reviewed by the competent authority after every five years.
- (3) The applicant should be owner of land or takes land on lease for a minimum period of 10 years. A minimum three acres of lands for citrus nursery two acres land for other types of fruit nursery and minimum two kanals of land for vegetables nursery is required (preferably one Acre). The applicant shall submit self declaration in Annexure III to fulfil and abide by the provisions of the Act. The application for renewal of license shall be accompanied by a treasury challan as proof of deposit of the renewal fee along with the additional fee, if any, and it shall be made through the Horticulture Development Officer having jurisdiction over the area in which the nursery is situated. The Horticulture Development Officer shall send application with his comments on the back of the application in Form IV-A within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of such application to the Assistant Director, Horticulture or the Deputy Director, Horticulture, as the case may be, who shall forward the same with his comments on the backside of the application in Form IV-A within a period of fifteen days of receipt to the competent authority for necessary action;
6. In the said rules, after rule 6, the following shall be substituted, namely:-
- “ 6A (1) If the license of the licensee is suspended or cancelled under section 5, the suspension or cancellation of the licence shall be displayed on display board in the horticulture nursery.
- (2) The Deputy Director, Horticulture or the Assistant Director, Horticulture shall ensure that the status of the licence is displayed on display board in the horticulture nursery:

“ Provided that if the licensee intends to wind up the nursery, the competent authority shall give winding up period of not exceeding one year to the licensee to enable him to wind up the nursery:

Provided further that in case the licence is cancelled or suspended, the plants shall be destroyed by the competent authority or any other person authorized by him but not below the rank of the Horticulture Development Officer. The competent authority shall order the licensee to uproot the rootstock seedlings and the grafted plants or cultivars and on his refusal to do so, shall engage the manual labour or tractor to uproot or plough the field of the licensee.”.

7. In the said rules, in rule 10, in sub-rule (1), for the words "two rupees", the words "one thousand rupees" shall be substituted.
8. In said rules, for rule 11 the following rule shall be substituted, namely:-

"11. Additions and alterations in licence.-

If, at any time during the validity of the licence, the licensee desires to undertake propagation of fruit plants other than those mentioned in the licence, he shall make an application to the competent authority specifying therein the fruit plants sought to be propagated. The competent authority, on recommendations of the Deputy Director, Horticulture or the Assistant Director, Horticulture and satisfying himself that the applicant is competent to undertake the propagation of fruit plants specified in the application, make the necessary additions and alterations in the licence, provided a fees of rupees one thousand per kind of fruit plants or vegetable seedling to be deposited under the head referred to in sub-rule (1) of rule (3). The validity of this addition shall be up to the validity of the licence."

9. In the said rules, in rule 12, after sub-rule (4), the following shall be inserted, namely:-

“(5) have to acquire rootstock and scion mother block from the Department of Horticulture, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana or from any other Government Institute only for the grant of new license. In case of citrus nursery, the mother block for bud wood (scion) shall be maintained in screen house as per the specifications given in the Annexure - VI for which may be provided by the competent authority. If the licensee wants to operate a second unit, he can use mother plants of rootstock as well as scion shown in the existing licence. Approximate number of scion sticks or bud wood can be collected from the full grown mother plants of major fruits as given in Annexure IV.

(6) have to be registered as horticulture nursery (fruit, vegetable, seedlings except cross or open pollinated varieties) under the Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed) and the registration fee of rupees one thousand shall be deposited in the account of Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed) and an application in Form X shall be filled at the time of applying or renewal of the nursery licence. The Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed) shall issue a certificate to the licensee of the nursery. The licensee shall display this

certificate at a prominent place in his nursery. The inspections shall be made time to time by the Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed), as per Form XI, XII and XIII and a fee of rupees five thousand per annum per nursery shall be charged and deposited in the account of Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed). The Horticulture Certification Agency shall be either part of the Seed Certification Agency or be an independent entity under section 8 of the Seeds Act, 1966. The Joint Director, Horticulture, one Deputy Director, Horticulture, two Assistant Director, Horticulture and the Nodal Officer (Nurseries) of the Department of Horticulture, Punjab may be nominated or sent on deputation in the Horticulture Certification Agency.

(7) have to obtain traceability tag (for budded or grafted or cutting except cross or open pollinated varieties) and for vegetable nursery (hybrid or self pollinated varieties), the owner of nursery have to fulfil all the provisions of the Seed Act, 1966. Then, on the basis of the inspections made by the Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed) or the competent authority shall issue tags with QR code in Form XIV mentioning name of the nursery, name of scion or rootstock, variety. An amount of rupees five or actual cost of the tag (whichever is higher) per plant shall be charged as cost of tag. The amount shall be deposited in the account of the Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed). The competent authority may revise the rate of tag as and when required.

(8) have to maintained the quality standards as specified in Annexure V as per the guidelines given by the department of Horticulture Punjab, National Horticulture Board or Government of India. The planting material must be free from the bacterial and viral diseases. In case, the plant material found infected, it should be destroyed and the cost is to given by the nursery license owner."

10. In the said rules, in rule 13,-

(1) the existing provisions of rule 13 shall be re-numbered as sub-rule (1) and after the sub-rule (1) as so re-numbered, the following sub-rules shall be inserted, namely:-

“(2) If any licensee imports the plants, he shall inform the district head of the Department of Horticulture and these plants shall be tested by the Plant Pathology Lab of the Punjab Agricultural University or any other Government recognised laboratory against any disease or pests before planting. No person or licensee can sell the imported plants to the farmers or any individual without obtaining phytosanitary certificate. If any licensee importing or selling fruit plants is impounded, he shall be liable to pay the amount of fine as calculated according to the number of plants mentioned below; namely:-

Sr. No.	No. of Plants	Amount of fine (in rupees)
1	Upto 100	10000
2	101 to 500	25000
3	More than 500	50000

The amount of the fine shall be deposited in the respective head of account (Head 0401-Crop Husbandry-119 Receipts from Horticulture and Vegetable crops 0401-00-119-00) in State Treasury.”

Provided that the Department of Horticulture, Punjab, the State Agriculture Universities, Government organisations and other research organizations can import the planting material for research and development.

(3) Procedure of destroying the plants.- The following shall be the procedure to destroy the plants, namely:-

- (i) rootstock seedling plants shall be uprooted and cut into two pieces with secateurs;
- (ii) budded or grafted plants shall be cut at slightly higher (3 to 4 inches) from soil or container level with secateurs.

For the said purposes, an amount of rupees five per plant shall be charged as cost of destroying the plants and the amount shall be deposited in the account of Head 0401-Crop Husbandry-119 Receipts from Horticulture and Vegetable crops 0401-00-119-00. The competent authority may revise the said amount as and when required.

If the licensee refuses to pay the fine and cost of destroying plants then the license shall be cancelled with immediate effect and the said amount of fine and cost of destroying plants shall be recovered as arrears of land revenue.

- (4) where any licence is suspended or cancelled under the Act, the licensee shall not be entitled to any compensation thereof nor shall he be entitled to the refund of any fee paid by him. The new nursery licence shall not be issued in favour of him within a period of ten years."

11. In said rules, for rule 14, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“14 Procedure for periodic inspection.-

(1) The Horticulture Development Officer or in his absence, his next higher officer shall carry out inspection of each fruit nursery licensed under these rules at least once in every quarter and prepare a report in Form IX in triplicate except the quarter when final inspection is to be done by the inspection team of Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed) or team formed by the competent authority. The inspection team shall issue a certificate regarding the status and number of saleable plants as required in sub-section (5) of section 8. If the fruit plants are found affected with infectious or contagious disease or pest, these are to be destroyed in terms of sub-rule (3) of rule 13. The Seed Certification

Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed) or team formed by the competent authority shall identify the contagious disease or insect pests for each fruit crop in the State of Punjab from time to time. The constituted team shall have to finish the final inspection within thirty days of intimation by the licensee.

- (2) If the licensee does not deposit the inspection fee or fails to inform the inspection officer or authority after due compliance within the period of seven working days of the deposit of the fee to conduct inspection, such officer or authority shall inspect the horticulture nursery within fifteen working days after receiving the information and for this purpose, inspection fee of rupees one thousand shall be deposited by the licensee to the account of Seed Certification Agency (till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed)."
12. In the said rules, after rule 15, the following shall be inserted, namely:-
16. If any violation of the Act is noticed by the officers in whose jurisdiction the nursery is situated, he shall visit the nursery along with the State Nodal Officer, Nurseries and the Deputy Director, Horticulture or the Assistant Director, Horticulture of the concerned district and shall issue written instructions or directions to the nursery owner to comply with the provisions of the Act. If the nursery owner fails to comply with the provisions of Act and the rules made thereunder and creates any hindrance in the enforcing the provisions of the Act, then the said team shall give written complaint to the Sub-Divisional Magistrate of the area and the Station House Officers of concerned police station and they will provide administrative and police assistance as well as security to the said officers for the enforcement of the provision of the Act and the rules made thereunder.
13. In the said rules, for the existing forms, the following Forms and Annexures shall be substituted, namely:-



**(See rule 3(1))**

To

Punjab

(Through DDH/ADH of district concerned)

Sir,

I..... S/o/D/o/ W/o/Sh..... R/o..... Wish to establish a Horticulture Nursery of ..... in Village..... Block..... District..... I may kindly be granted a licence for this purpose as required under the act. The detailed particulars of the Nursery are given below. My Contact No is.....

1. Name of the Nursery
2. Name & status of owner  
(Individual/Partnership, Cooperative Society, Trust, Company, Others)
3. Year of Establishment (With date/month)
4. If Joint owners, Names and address of the owners with Phone numbers
5. Location of the Nursery
  - a. Land khasra No.
  - b. Village
  - c. Block
  - d. District
  - e. State
  - f. GPS co-ordinates
6. Total Area of the Nursery (in Ha) including Mother Plants with khasra No.
7. Details of Mother Block/Sub-mother block

[illegible]

8. Source of root stock

(A). Details of mother plants(Root stock)

S. No.	Species	Varieties	Area (Ha)	No. of Plants	Source of Mother Plants	Age	Performance record		
							Excellent	Good	Average
1									
2									

(B) If the root stock/seed/plants are not produced at its own, furnish details are as follows:

1. Name of the Nursery owner/Source

2. Licence No.

S. No.	Species (Plants/seeds)	Varieties	Source of stock	Address and Contact No.	Date of Purchase	No. of plants/Quantity of seed	Performance record		
							Excellent	Good	Average
1									
2									

9. Details of proposed Horticulture Nursery Raising

S. No.	Village	Block	KhasraNo.	Area Ha	Name of Horticulture Crop/variety	No. of seedlings/plants proposed to produce per year	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1							
2							

10. Details of the facilities for production of quality and disease free planting material.

S. No.	Type of Infrastructures	Area in Sqm/Number	Year of Erection/Purchase
1	Poly Tunnels		
2	Shade net house		
3	Poly house		
4	Insect Net House		
5	Screen House		
6	Walk in tunnels		
7	Solarization Platform		
8	Vermi compost units if any		
9	Other Specify if any		

11. Source of irrigation:

- a. Tubewell
- b. Canal/community tank/pond etc.
- c. Micro Irrigation (Drip/Sprinkler/Micro jets)
- d. Automation/Fertigation system

12. Details of Technically trained staff

S. No.	Name of the individual	Qualification	Training underwent if any

13. Action plan for production of Horticulture Plants/vegetable seedlings for next 3 years

S. No.	Species (Plants/Seeds)	Varieties	Method of propagation	No. of plants proposed to be propagated for next 3 years		
				1 <sup>st</sup> year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year	3 <sup>rd</sup> year

14. Particulars of application fee paid by challan

Challan No.	Date	Amount

15. Declaration

I hereby declare that the information given above is true to the best of my knowledge & belief.

I have read the Act and the rules framed there under and shall abide by all the conditions mentioned therein.

Enclosures

Date:

Yours Faithfully

Place:

(Signature of the Applicant & Name in Block Letters)

**FORM 1 (A)**  
**[ SEE RULE 3 (3)]**  
**REPORT OF THE INSPECTING OFFICER.**

I.....(name & designation & address) hereby certify that I have Inspected the.....(name of Nursery) run/ owned/ managed by Shri/Ms..... (Name and address of applicant). The applicant has Nursery area of .....ha. under nursery in Village....., Block..... and District..... . Inspection has been done on Dated..... and my observation state that:

1. Progeny trees and the following varieties have been found to be existing at the time of inspection :

a) For Scion varieties

S. No.	Kind of Fruit Plants	Variety	Area (Ha)	No. of Plants	Age of plants	Condition of plants	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1							
2							

b) For Rootstock

S. No.	Kind of Fruit Plants	Variety	Area (Ha)	No. of Plants	Age of plants	Condition of plants	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1							
2							

2. Seedlings of Vegetables

S. No.	Name of the crop	Variety	Area (Ha)	No. of seedlings	Source of seed	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1						
2						

- i) A sketch of nursery and the progeny orchard being maintained by the owner.

- ii) The details of the existing infrastructure in the Nursery
- iii) The details of production of plant material atleast for 3 years as per the records available in the Nursery or information furnished by the Nursery owner.
- iv) The nursery being kept free from the insects, pests and diseases. (Yes/No)
- v) The progeny trees being maintained in good condition. (Yes/No)
- vi) The soil suitable for nursery production work. (Yes/No)
- vii) The water suitable for nursery production work. (Yes/No)
- viii) The nursery owner is competent to conduct/establish the nursery on approved lines. (Yes/No)
- ix) Production capacity of mother plants (approximately) species wise with reference to the annexure-IV.
- x) Display board in local language showing the plant root stock position, mother plant and price structure of species/ varieties. (Yes/No)
- xi) Maintenance of the records of nursery as per nursery act/rules. (Yes/No)
- xii) Additional Information if any  
I recommend/do not recommend it as a fit case for grant of licence  
(If not recommended reasons thereof.)  
Enclosed check list:

Dated:	Signature of inspecting officer
Place:	Name & Designation (In block letters)
	& Seal of the officer.

**FORM 1-B**  
[See rule 3-(3)]

**Performa for the inspection of the Nursery**

S. No.	Particulars of the Nursery	Remarks of the Inspection officer with reference to the application of the applicant
1	Name of the Nursery owner with address	
2	Layout of plant of Nursery, (land utilization details) viz.	
3	Total extent of Nursery in acres along with khasra no, Layout map (indicating the borders)	
4 (a)	Location of Mother blocks/pedigree blocks	
(b)	Production capacity of mother plants (approximately) species wise with reference to the annexure-IV	Production capacity should be enclosed separately
5	Internal roads and pathways in the Nursery	
6	Location of plant material production block	
7	Details of field beds and kinds of varieties of plants in each bed.	
8	Irrigation source (bore well/open well/ tanks, Canals)	
9	Vermicompost units if any	
10	Shade nets, poly house, poly tunnels, insect net house, walk in tunnels, pro trays, sprayers, solarization platform, packing sheds if any	
11	Farm equipment like Tractor, power Tiller, Generator etc.	
12	Display board in local language showing the plant root stock position, mother plant and price structure of species/ varieties	
13	Display board should be given colour background with white labelling	
14	Proper labelling of Horticulture plants intended for sale. (Specify name the species, variety, age, name of root stock)	

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15	Office building and any other structures available in the Farm	
16	Nursery Registers	
17	Mother blocks/pedigree inventory	
18	Root stock, plant material, seeds, production/procurement.	
19	Plants protection measures taken up on mother blocks/scion	
20	Information on Soil and water analysis reports	
21	Details of discarding culled material mother trees infected with pest & diseases, over aged plant material, infected material etc	
22	Bill books in prescribed format	
23	Micro irrigation system (Drip/Sprinkler/Micro jets/ Foggers)	

Dated:

Place:

Signature of inspecting officer

Name & Designation (In block letters)  
& Seal of the officer.

FORM II  
[See rule 3 (4)]

Licence for establishing a fruit plant nursery under the Punjab fruit nursery Act

Licence No. .... Date of issue.....

Name .....S/O..... of village .....P.O.  
Tehsil ..... Distt..... Owner of ..... is hereby authorised to  
raise, exhibit for sale and sell for transplantation, fruit plants of the following kinds and varieties:

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.
- E.
- F.
- G.
- H.
- I.

This licence is valid from ..... to..... The licence shall be subject to the  
following conditions:

- 1) The licensee shall not contravene any of the provisions of the Act and Rules framed there under and shall in particular carry out the duties specified in Sec 8 of the act.
- ii) The licensee shall conduct his business honestly and in a fair manner.
- iii) The licensee shall produce his licence or the registers and other records required to be maintained under this Act and the rules framed there under on demand by the Competent Authority or any person authorised by him.
- iv) The licensee shall not permit evasion or infringement of any of the provisions of the Act or rules framed there under and shall report in writing to the competent authorities any evasion or infringement which comes to his knowledge.
- v) The licensee shall comply with the instructions issued to him in accordance with the rules by the competent authority or by any person authorised by competent authority.
- vi) If the licensee transfers or on part his control over the fruit nursery he shall send an intimation of such transfer to the competent authority within a period of one month of the transfer

Signature of the competent authority and seal  
of his office

The licence is renewed .....  
Period of renewal from .....to .....

Signature of the competent authority,  
With seal of the office



FORM III  
[See rule 3 (5)]

Register For Grant/Renewal of Nursery Licence

Sr. No.	Name & Address of Licensee	Name of Nursery	Area of the Nursery	Kind of Fruit plants to be propagated
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1	2	3	4	5
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Name & designation of Inspecting officer	Date of visit of Insp. Officer	No. & Date of issue of licence	Date of expiry of licence
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6	7	8	9
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Date of renewal	Period of renewal	Remarks
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10	11	12
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**[See rule 5(1)]**

To

Punjab

Sir,

This licence was granted/last renewed on ..... & since then .....inspections have been carried out. I have compiled with the instructions communicated to me in the writing by the Inspecting authority from time to time. The detailed particulars of the Nursery are given below. My Contact No is.....

1. Name of the Nursery
2. Name & status of owner  
(Individual/Partnership, Cooperative Society, Trust, Company, Others)
3. Year of Establishment (With date/month)
4. If Joint owners, Names and address of the owners with Phone no's
5. Location of the Nursery
  - a. Land khasra No.
  - b. Village
  - c. Block
  - d. District
  - e. State
6. Total Area of the Nursery (in Ha) including Mother Plants with khasra No.

## 7. Details of Mother Block/Sub-mother block

[illegible]

8. Source of root stock

A. Details of mother plants(Root stock)

S. No.	Area (Ha)	Species	Varieties	No. of Plants	Source of Mother Plants	Age	Performance record		
							Excellent	Good	Average
1									
2									

(B) If the root stock/seed/plants are not produced at its own, furnish details are as follows:

1. Name of the Nursery owner/Source

2. Licence No.

S. No.	Species (Plants/seeds)	Varieties	Source of stock	Address and Contact No.	Date of Purchase	No. of plants/Quantity of seed	Performance record		
							Excellent	Good	Average
1									
2									

9. Name of Grafted/Budded Plants/Rooted cutting

S. No.	Species (Plants /seeds)	Varieties	Method of propagation	No. of plants produced		
				Current year	Last Two Years	
				1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

10. Details of Nursery raising for Vegetables

S. No.	Name of Vegetables	Varieties	Method of propagation	No. of plants produced		
				Current year	Last Two Years	
				1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>

11. Details of the facilities for production of quality with disease free planting material.

S. No.	Type of Infrastructures	Area in Sqm/Number	Year of Erection/Purchase
1	Poly Tunnels		
2	Shade net house		
3	Poly house		
4	Insect Net House		
5	Screen House		
6	Walk in tunnels		
7	Solarization Platform		
8	Vermicompost units if any		
9	Accreditation grading by NHB		
10	Other Specify if any		

12. Source of irrigation:

- a) Tubewell
- b) Canal/community tank/pond etc.
- c) Micro Irrigation (Drip/Sprinkler/Micro jets)
- d) Automation and Fertigation system

13. Details of Technically trained staff

S. No.	Name of the individual	Qualification	Training underwent, if any

14. Action plan for production of Horticulture Plants/vegetable seedlings for next 3 years

S. No.	Species (Plants/Seeds)	Varieties	Method of propagation	No. of plants proposed to be propagated for next 3 years		
				1 <sup>st</sup> year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year	3 <sup>rd</sup> year

15. Production and sale report for the last three years

S. No	Year	Kind/Variety of plants	Total no. of plants produced	Total no. of plants sold
1				
2				
3				

16. Particulars of application fee paid by challan

Challan No.	Date	Amount

17. Declaration

I hereby declare that the information given above is true to the best of my knowledge & belief.

I have read the Act and the rules framed there under and shall abide by all the conditions mentioned therein.

Enclosures

Date:

Yours Faithfully

Place:

(Signature of the Applicant & Name in Block Letters)

**Form IV –A**

[ See rule 5(i)]

The fruit nursery (Name & Address)..... has been inspected during the period.....to.....by the following authorities on the dates mentioned against each

Sr. No.	DESIGNATION OF THE INSPECTING AUTHORITY	DATE OF INSPECTION
1		
2		
3		
4		

It is certified that the owner has/has not complied with the instructions conveyed to him in writing by the Inspecting authority and that he has/has not contravened any of the provisions of the Act or the rules framed thereunder, his application for renewal is/is not recommended for reasons given below:-

Signature & seal of concerned Horticulture Development Officer

Signature & seal of concerned District Head

**Form V**  
[See rule 12(1)]

Name of nursery	Licence No
Kind of fruit plant	Variety

RECORD OF SOURCE OF PLANT MATERIAL

Date	Source of root stock	source of scion Variety	No. of plants raised/ sold
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**FORM VI**  
[See rule 12(2)]  
**Sale register of Nursery plants**

Name of nursery..... Licence No.....

Sr. No	Name & address of purchaser	kind and variety of plant sold	Root stock used	No. of plants sold
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Rate per plant	Total price charged	date of deposit	Remarks
.....	-----	-----	.....

**FORM VII**  
[See rule 12(2)]  
**Sale Receipt**

Name of nursery..... Licence No.....  
Book No..... Receipt No..... Dated

Received from.....a sum of Rs (In words) .....on account of  
.....plants.

Rs.....

Signature of Purchaser  
(Received plants in good  
Condition)

Signature of the owner/ Incharge

**FORM VIII**  
**[See rule 12(3)]**  
**Inspection register**

Name of nursery..... Licence No.....

Date                      Name & designation of Inspecting authority    Remarks

**FORM IX**  
**[See rule 14(1)]**

**Periodic inspection report**

1. Name of the Nursery

2. Name and designation of the Inspecting Authority.

3. Date of Visit

4. Details of existing stock.

KIND	VARIETY	Grafted	Budded	Seedling
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5) Conditions of the plant materials.

a) Is there any disease or pest attack (if the reply is in the affirmative, the type of malady, extent of attack and remedial measures suggested, shall be given in details).

b) Is the training of plants satisfactory( if not, then detailed suggestions for improvement shall be recorded).

c) General Conditions of the plant material with regard to vigour& suggestions for improvement shall be recorded.

d) Has complete record of scion &stock material been, maintained as per rules if not, then detailed suggestions be recorded)

6) Has complete record of sales been maintained as per rules? (Yes/No)



7) Has the licence contravened any of the provisions of the act or rules framed thereunder ? (If so. details may be given) (Yes/No)  
any of the provisions of the Act

8). When was the last inspection made?Date .....

9) Whether instructions given previously have been complied with? (Yes/No)  
(If not give details and action proposed against the licence.)

10. General remarks.

signature of Inspecting Authority.

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**Form X**  
[see rule – 12 (6)]

**FRUIT PLANTS CERTIFICATION AND TRACEABILITY**  
**APPLICATION PROFORMA**

Date: .....

S.No.	Requirements	Details
	<b>Plant producing organisation:</b>	
1	License number	
2	Name	
3	Address	
	<b>Fruit Plant details:</b>	<b>Whether rootstock required (Yes/ No):</b>
4	Fruit Name	
5	Scion variety	
6	Rootstock variety	
	<b>Other details:</b>	
7	Source of rootstock	
8	Rootstock production method (cutting/ seed, etc)	
9	Rootstock seed sowing/ cutting collection time (mm:yy)	
10	Age of rootstock plants	
11	Source of scion	
12	Type of scion (Budwood/ cutting, etc)	
13	Time of scion collection (mm:yy)	
14	Whether scion source is a certified/ registered source	
15	Date of screening scion samples	
16	Number of plants budded/ grafted/ cuttings planted, etc	
	<b>Attachments:</b>	
17	Applicants License (SA copy)	
18	Proof of scion source (SA copy)	
19	Proof of rootstock source (SA copy)	
20	Scion source certificate (SA copy)	

Date: .....

Sign and Seal of Applicant

Form XI

[see rule 12(6)]

FRUIT PLANTS CERTIFICATION AND TRACEABILITY

FIRST INSPECTION REPORT

Date: .....

Plant producing organization details:	Fruit Plant details:
License number:	Fruit Name:
Name:	Scion variety:
Address:	Rootstock variety:
<b>No. of plants applied for:.....</b>	
<p>➤ Number of surviving plants:.....</p> <p>➤ Number of dead / non-sprouted plants (budded/ grafted, etc): .....</p> <p>➤ Overall condition of plants/ Comments (if any): .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	

Sign and Seal of Applicant

Sign and Seal of seed Certification Agency

(till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed)

**Form XII**

[ see rule 12(6)]

**FRUIT PLANTS CERTIFICATION AND TRACEABILITY**

**SECOND INSPECTION REPORT**

**Date:** .....

<b>Plant producing organisation details:</b>	<b>Fruit Plant details:</b>
License number:	Fruit Name:
Name:	Scion variety:
Address:	Rootstock variety:
<b>No. of plants applied for:</b>	
<p>➤ Number of surviving plants at first inspection: .....</p> <p>➤ Number of surviving plants at second inspection:.....</p> <p>➤ Whether the sprouts of rootstock and bud/ graft wrap has been removed well in time and plant is free from any girdle/ bottle neck: .....</p> <p>➤ Whether the plants are maintained disease/ pest free:.....</p> <p>➤ Whether the plant area is well irrigated and maintained weed free:.....</p> <p>➤ Whether these surviving plants (.....) can be carried forward to produce true to type and disease free nursery (Yes/No): .....</p> <p>➤ Overall condition of plants/ Comments (if any): .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	

Sign and Seal of Applicant

Sign and Seal of seed Certification Agency  
(till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed)

**Form XIII**

[see rule 12(6)]

**FRUIT PLANTS CERTIFICATION AND TRACEABILITY**

**THIRD INSPECTION REPORT**

Date: .....

Plant producing organisation details:	Fruit Plant details:
License number:	Fruit Name:
Name:	Scion variety:
Address:	Rootstock variety:
<b>No. of plants applied for:</b>	
<p>➤ Number of surviving plants at second inspection: .....</p> <p>➤ Number of surviving plants at third inspection: .....</p> <p>➤ Certified that total ..... (number of plants) plants are healthy and have attained desirable height for sale. The tags issued for the same bear serial number ..... to .....</p> <p>➤ ..... (number of plants, if any) plants have not attained the desirable height for sale. Third inspection of these plants shall be carried out approximately after ..... days.</p> <p>➤ Overall condition of plants/ Comments (if any): .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	

Sign and Seal of Applicant

Sign and Seal of seed Certification Agency  
(till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed)

Form XIV

[ see rule 12 (7)]

**Certification and traceability Tag**

Serial Number: 000000

**Plant producing organization  
details:**

License number: .....

Name: .....

Address: .....

.....



QR Code

**Fruit Plant details:**

Fruit Name: .....

Scion variety: .....

Rootstock variety: .....

Tag issue date: .....

**DEPARTMENT OF HORTICULTURE, PUNJAB (..... District)**

**Sign and Seal of Applicant**

**Sign and Seal of seed Certification Agency  
(till separate Horticulture Certification Agency is formed)**

**Form XV**

**[ see rule 12(6) ]**

**VEGETABLE NURSERY CERTIFICATION AND TRACEABILITY**  
**APPLICATION PROFORMA**

Date: .....

S.No.	Requirements	Details
	<b>Plant producing organization:</b>	
1	License number	
2	Name	
3	Address	
	<b>Vegetable Plant details:</b>	
4	Vegetable Name	
5	Vegetable Variety	
6	Whether hybrid or variety	
	<b>Other details:</b>	
7	Source of seed	
8	Quantity/ number of seeds sown	
9	Date of sowing	
10	Seed sowing material (Soil/Soil less)	
11	Nursery kept under protected structure/ open	
	<b>Attachments:</b>	
12	Applicants License (SA copy)	
13	Proof of seed source	

Date: .....

Sign and Seal of Applicant

**ANNEXURE-I**

**[ see rule 3 (1) and (1-F)]**

**List of Horticulture Plants to be propagated under this Act**

1. Citrus
  - a) Mandarin
  - b) Sweet Orange
  - c) Grapefruit
  - d) Lime and Lemon
2. Mango
3. Litchi
4. Guava
5. Peach
6. Pear
7. Plum
8. Loquat
9. Ber
10. Sapota
11. Grapes
12. Date Palm
13. Pomegranate
14. Amla
15. Fig
16. Apple
17. Any other fruit recommended by State Agriculture Universities (SAU)/COE's
18. Plants from seed/Tissue culture:- Banana, Papaya, Jamun, Bael, Phalsa, Dheu, strawberry etc.
19. Vegetable Seedlings:- Tomato, Chilli, Onion, Brinjal, Capsicum, Cucumber, Cruciferous group, Sweet Potato, Cucurbitaceae group etc.

NOTE:- Competent Authority can add or delete any Horticulture plant as per recommendation of State Agriculture Universities (SAU)/COE's for commercial cultivation.



**ANNEXURE-II**

**[see rule 3 (1-A)]**

The licensee should have the following basic infrastructure facilities at the time of apply for the new license.

**A) For Fruits**

- (i) Licensee should have the minimum three acre land (for Citrus nursery) and two acres for any other type of nursery in his own name or on registered lease deed for minimum ten years, proof & address of the nursery along with photograph of the owner, soil and water analysis report from Govt. Labs/Laboratories recognized by the Govt.
- (ii) Mother block of scion variety under net house/screen house having size of minimum 9mx50m as per requirement
- (iii) Mother block of root stock
- (iv) Insect net house/shade net house in one acre for the propagation of 40000 plants annually as per requirement.
- (v) One poly house having size of 20mx28m to grow the seedlings for the grafting as per requirement.
- (vi) There must be a solarisation platform of size 36mx20m

NOTE:- Competent Authority may add/exempt any of above facility of facilities as per requirement of the "Horticulture Plant" to be propagated. Except condition no. I

**B. For Vegetables**

- i) Minimum 2 Kanal preferably 1 Acre.
- ii) Vegetables seedling can be grown on raised bed/pro trays.

**Annexure-III**

[see rule 3 (1-A) and 5 (1)]

Photo

**SELF DECLARATION**

I .....S/o W/o D/o Sh.....Resident of Village  
.....Tehsil..... District..... and declare as under:-

1. I have an area of..... (A-K-M) in village .....  
Block..... Distt..... bearing khewat no..... and khasra  
no..... This land is owned by me and free from any kind of dispute.
2. I have established/intend to establish a horticulture nursery in the name of..... and I  
produce/intend to produce .....fruit/vegetable seedlings.
3. That my Nursery licence no..... is going to expire/expired on..... and I  
intend to renew it for..... year.
4. That I have root stock and scion mother block of..... years of age. These plants are  
free from any diseases or insect attack.
5. That I have installed a net house of..... sq. mt. as per guidelines of Horticulture  
Department and planted ..... plants of citrus in it.
6. That I undertake to comply with any instructions/guidelines issued by Horticulture  
Department and will be bound to submit reports/information as and when required.
7. That I will produce citrus plants in polybags and has established shade net for this purpose.
8. That I will produce and sell only the plants/varieties/seedlings mentioned in the licence.

Deponent

It is certified that the above declaration is true to best of my knowledge and belief  
and nothing is concealed or wrong in it. I shall be fully responsible for any mis-information.

Deponent

**Annexure-IV**

[see rule 12 (5)]

Approximate scion sticks/bud wood that can be collected from the major fruits crops from full grown mother plant tree are as follows:

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Average no. of sticks/buds can be collected per plant</b>
1	Citrus	
	a. Mandarin	1000
	b. Sweet Orange	800
	c. Grapefruit	800
	d. Lime And Lemon	800
2	Mango	400
3	Litchi	500
4	Guava	500
5	Peach	300
6	Pear	600
7	Plum	1000
8	Loquat	200
9	Ber	500
10	Sapota	500
11	Grapes	200
12	Date Palm	20
13	Pomegranate	200
14	Amla	300
15	Fig	200

**Annexure-V**

[see rule 12 (8)]

**Quality Standards to be maintained for the sale of nursery plants.**

**STANDARD FOR PLANTS PROPAGATED BY BUDDING/GRAFTING**

<b>Characters</b>	<b>Standards</b>
Methods of propagation	Budding/ Grafting
Plant Age	About one and half year old, straight stem
Plant height	Not less than 60 cm
Stem diameter	Not less than 0.5 cm
Budding height	Not less than 20 cm with smooth union and no root stock growth
Foliage	Healthy and green without any side shoot
Disease/Pest Incidence	Free from insects pests, fungal, bacterial and viral diseases

**STANDARD FOR PLANTS PROPAGATED BY LAYERING /CUTTING**

<b>Characters</b>	<b>Standards</b>
Crop	Fruit Crop propagated by cutting/air layering
Method of propagated	Cutting/ layers
Plant Age	Not less than 9 months
Plant Height	Not less than 40 cm, straight and single stem
Stem diameter	Not less than 0.5 m
No of Roots	Not less than 8-10 fibrous roots
Foliage	Healthy and green leaves
Disease/Pest Incidence	Free from insects pests, fungal, bacterial and viral diseases

**STANDARD FOR PLANTS PROPAGATED BY SEED**

<b>Characters</b>	<b>Standards</b>
Name of Crop	Fruit Crop propagated seed or rootstocks
Stem diameter	Not less than 0.5 cm
Foliage	Healthy and green
Incidence	Free from Seed born disease/Pest/ Virus

**STANDARD FOR VEGETABLE SEEDLINGS**

- Have to grow the seedlings in soil less media.
- Have to grow the seedlings in the pro trays.
- Seedlings must have minimum seven leaves at the time of sale.
- Height of seedlings must be 10-15 cm
- Free from Seed born disease/Pest/ Virus.
- Seedling should be healthy and green.

Annexure-VI

[see rule 12 (5)]

SPECIFICATIONS FOR SCREEN HOUSE

S.No.	Specifications
1.	Screen House -300 sqm
2.	<b>Dimension :</b> Width : 10.0 m Length : 30.0 m Gutter Height : 6 m Side Height : 4.5 m
3.	<b>Screen House Structure :</b> Structure consist of Hot Dipped pre-galvanized Pipe structure 2.0mm thick $\pm 0.2$ mm <b>Column</b> : 47x47mm <b>Truss</b> : 47x47mm, 38x38mm, 32x32mm, 50x25mm <b>Roof Purline</b> : 32x32mm <b>Bracing</b> : 32x32mm
4.	<b>Structure Covering:</b> Stainless Steel 40 Mesh
5.	<b>Screen fixed with Aluminum flat/strip</b>
6.	<b>Double Door Entry :</b> Double door entry (Top covering with polycarbonate sheet 6mm d/w, side covering with SS 40 Mesh & Flooring with cement concrete anti-slippery. )
7.	<b>Civil Work :</b> Brick wall of 9" Thick at the base of screen house 1.5 below ground level and 3 ft above the ground level with duly Plaster and Painted.
8.	<b>Foundation work:</b> Column grouting 30cmx30cmx70cm with CC. 1:2:4

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